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SENATE BILL NO. 221

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR SCHATZ.

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Read 2nd time February 2, 2015, and referred to the Committee on Jobs, Economic Development and Local Government.

Reported from the Committee February 26, 2015, with recommendation that the bill do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 72.401, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to annexation in certain counties that have established a boundary commission.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 72.401, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 72.401, to read as follows:

- 72.401. 1. If a commission has been established pursuant to section
- 2 72.400 in any county with a charter form of government where fifty or more cities,
- 3 towns and villages have been established, any boundary change within the county
- 4 shall proceed solely and exclusively in the manner provided for by sections 72.400
- 5 to 72.423, notwithstanding any statutory provisions to the contrary concerning
- 6 such boundary changes.
- 7 2. In any county with a charter form of government where fifty or more
- 8 cities, towns and villages have been established, if the governing body of such
- 9 county has by ordinance established a boundary commission, as provided in
- 10 sections 72.400 to 72.423, then boundary changes in such county shall proceed
- 11 only as provided in sections 72.400 to 72.423.
- 12 3. The commission shall be composed of eleven members as provided in
- 13 this subsection. No member, employee or contractor of the commission shall be
- 14 an elective official, employee or contractor of the county or of any political
- 15 subdivision within the county or of any organization representing political
- 16 subdivisions or officers or employees of political subdivisions. Each of the

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17 appointing authorities described in subdivisions (1) to (3) of this subsection shall appoint persons who shall be residents of their respective locality so described. The appointing authority making the appointments shall be: 19

- (1) The chief elected officials of all municipalities wholly within the county which have a population of more than twenty thousand persons, who shall name two members to the commission as prescribed in this subsection each of whom is a resident of a municipality within the county of more than twenty thousand persons;
- (2) The chief elected officials of all municipalities wholly within the county which have a population of twenty thousand or less but more than ten thousand persons, who shall name one member to the commission as prescribed in this subsection who is a resident of a municipality within the county with a population of twenty thousand or less but more than ten thousand persons;
- (3) The chief elected officials of all municipalities wholly within the county which have a population of ten thousand persons or less, who shall name one member to the commission as prescribed in this subsection who is a resident of a municipality within the county with a population of ten thousand persons or less:
- (4) An appointive body consisting of the director of the county department of planning, the president of the municipal league of the county, one additional person designated by the county executive, and one additional person named by the board of the municipal league of the county, which appointive body, acting by a majority of all of its members, shall name three members of the commission who are residents of the county; and
- (5) The county executive of the county, who shall name four members of the commission, three of whom shall be from the unincorporated area of the county and one of whom shall be from the incorporated area of the county. The seat of a commissioner shall be automatically vacated when the commissioner changes his or her residence so as to no longer conform to the terms of the requirements of the commissioner's appointment. The commission shall promptly notify the appointing authority of such change of residence.
- 4. Upon the passage of an ordinance by the governing body of the county establishing a boundary commission, the governing body of the county shall, 50 within ten days, send by United States mail written notice of the passage of the ordinance to the chief elected official of each municipality wholly or partly in the 52county.

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5. Each of the appointing authorities described in subdivisions (1) to (4) of subsection 3 of this section shall meet within thirty days of the passage of the ordinance establishing the commission to compile its list of appointees. Each list shall be delivered to the county executive within forty-one days of the passage of such ordinance. The county executive shall appoint members within forty-five days of the passage of the ordinance. If a list is not submitted by the time specified, the county executive shall appoint the members using the criteria of subsection 3 of this section before the sixtieth day from the passage of the ordinance. At the first meeting of the commission appointed after the effective date of the ordinance, the commissioners shall choose by lot the length of their terms. Three shall serve for one year, two for two years, two for three years, two for four years, and two for five years. All succeeding commissioners shall serve for five years. Terms shall end on December thirty-first of the respective year. No commissioner shall serve more than two consecutive full terms. Full terms shall include any term longer than two years.

- 6. When a member's term expires, or if a member is for any reason unable to complete his term, the respective appointing authority shall appoint such member's successor. Each appointing authority shall act to ensure that each appointee is secured accurately and in a timely manner, when a member's term expires or as soon as possible when a member is unable to complete his term. A member whose term has expired shall continue to serve until his successor is appointed and qualified.
- 7. The commission, its employees and subcontractors shall be subject to the regulation of conflicts of interest as defined in sections 105.450 to 105.498 and to the requirements for open meetings and records under chapter 610.
- 8. Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, any boundary adjustment approved by the residential property owners and the governing bodies of the affected municipalities or the county, if involved, and any voluntary annexation approved by municipal ordinance provided that the municipality owns the area to be annexed, that the area is contiguous with the municipality, and that the area is utilized only for parks and recreation purposes, shall not be subject to commission review. Such a boundary adjustment or annexation is not prohibited by the existence of an established unincorporated area.
- 9. Any annexation of property or defined areas of properties approved by a majority of property owners residing thereon and by ordinance of any municipality that is a service provider for both the

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89 water and sanitary sewer within the municipality shall be effective as

- 90 provided in the annexation ordinance and shall not be subject to
- 91 commission review. Such annexation shall not be prohibited by the
- 92 existence of an established unincorporated area.

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